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MR. GAITHER'S SUBSTITUTE FOR BILL TO INCREASE THE ARMY.

Strike out all of the original bill, after the title, and substitute the following:

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That whenever the President shall consider an increase of the forces in the field necessary to repel invasions, or for the public safety in the pending war, he is authorized to call upon the several States, in his discretion, for any number of troops to serve for the term of three years or during the war.

SEC. 2. In making such requisition, the President shall take into consideration the number of troops from each State already enlisted for the war, at the time of the requisition, and shall, as far as practicable, equalize the same amongst the States according to their respective population.

SEC. 3. That all such troops shall be assigned to, and

and form part of, the companies, squadrons, battalions, and regiments heretofore raised in their respective States and now in the service of the Confederate States, and the number that may remain from any State after filling up existing companies, squadrons, battalions, and regiments from such State to their maximum legal number shall be organized into companies, squadrons, battalions, and regiments, as the case may be, under the laws of such State.

SEC. 4. That if the Governor of any State shall refuse or fail for ——— days, after any such call shall have been made upon him by the President, to comply with said requisition, then all white male citizens between the ages of thirty-five and forty-five years, in such State, are hereby made subject, in all respects, to an act entitled "An act further to provide for the public defence," approved April 16, 1862, and the President is authorized to enforce said act against such persons. And, in the event, at any time, if it shall happen that any of the States shall have no Governor for the time being, upon whom the President can make such call, then all the white male citizens of such State, between the ages of

thirty-five and forty-five years, are made subject to the said act, and the President is authorized to enforce it against such persons.

SEC. 5. That the persons brought into military service by this act shall be assigned to the company from their State now in the service of the Confederate States, which they may prefer to join, subject to such regulations as the Secretary of War may establish, to secure the filling up of existing companies, squadrons, battalions and regiments, from the respective States: *Provided*, That persons liable to military service under the provisions of this act and able-bodied men over the age of forty-five years may volunteer and be assigned to duty in such company from their State as they may select: *Provided*, That said company shall not, by reason thereof, be increased beyond its legal maximum number: *And provided further*, That the right of volunteering in, or being assigned to, any company shall not interfere with the objects of this act or produce inequality or confusion in the different arms of military service.

SEC. 6. That a bounty of fifty dollars be, and the same is hereby, granted to each person mustered into service

under this act, or who has been or may hereafter be, mustered into service under said act of the 16th April, 1862, the same being due each person from the time he is mustered into the service of the Confederate States.

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